

**In the Abstract**

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**ABSTRACT**

~~The invention relates to a~~ A method for producing gas turbine components, in particular blades, blade sections or rotors with integral blades for a jet engine is provided. ~~Said~~ The method comprises at least the following steps: preparation of at least one metallic powder and at least one expanding agent; mixing of the metallic powder or each metallic powder with the expanding agent or each expanding agent; compression of the resultant mixture to form at least one semi-finished product; expansion of the semi-finished product or each semi-finished product by heating to achieve a defined degree of expansion; termination of the expansion process by cooling, once the defined degree of expansion has been reached.